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Mega Millions Rolls to \$142 Million and New Jersey Has One \$5,000 Winner in Hudson County

TRENTON, N.J. (Dec. 22, 2014) – Carole Hedinger, New Jersey Lottery Executive Director, announced that there were no jackpot or second New Jersey prizewinners of the Mega Millions game, but there was one \$5,000 third prizewinning ticket that matched 4 white balls and the Gold Mega Ball for the Friday, Dec. 19 drawing. That winning ticket was sold in Hudson County at Discount Plaza, 487 West Side Ave., Jersey City. If the ticket had been purchased with the Megaplier Option, it would have been worth \$15,000.

There were 14 players whose tickets matched the 4 white balls making each ticket worth \$500. Moreover, 105,633 other New Jersey players took home \$176,931 in prizes ranging from \$1 to \$150, according to Hedinger.

"Congratulations to the lottery winners and to the retailers that sold all of those winning tickets," said Hedinger. "For selling the winning tickets, the retailers have become many more Lottery 'lucky locations' overnight." The winning numbers for the Friday, Dec. 19 drawing were: 14, 18, 58, 59 and 68. The Gold Mega Ball was 04, and the Megaplier Multiplier was 03.

The Mega Millions jackpot rolls to \$142,000,000 for the next drawing, which will be held Tuesday, Dec. 23 at 11:00 pm. View all New Jersey Lottery game winning numbers including the MONOPOLY MILLIONAIRES' CLUB lottery game on the Lottery website (www.NJLottery.com). Also on the Lottery website view live drawings for the Pick-3, Pick-4, Jersey Cash 5, Pick-6 and CASH4LIFE games or on the official Lottery Facebook Page. Evening draws, with the exception of CASH4LIFE and MONOPOLY MILLIONAIRES' CLUB, can be seen on WPIX-TV (PIX11) in New York and WPHL-TV (PHL17) in Philadelphia. Powerball and Mega Millions drawings can be seen on WABC TV stations.

ABOUT THE LOTTERY

Since its inception in 1970, the New Jersey Lottery (NJLottery.com) has contributed more than \$22 billion to the State in support of education and institutions. In Fiscal Year 2013, the Lottery's contribution was more than \$1 billion. Among its beneficiaries are: veterans homes, colleges and universities, school nutrition programs, homes for the developmentally disabled, psychiatric hospitals, higher education scholarship programs and the Marie Katzenbach School for the Deaf.

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